

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
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1) ROLL CALL:

- a) Commissioners – Ralph Brown, Mackenzie Johnston Carey, Tammi McLaughlin, Howard Sullivan, Glenn VanBlarcom and Paul Waterstreet.
Absent: Brad Bafaro, Kenneth Cobleigh and Susan Taylor
- b) Council Liaison – Malynda Wenzl
- c) Staff – Matt Baum and Tom Gamble

2) CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the November 20, 2019 meeting were approved.

4) ADDITION/DELETIONS: None

5) OLD BUSINESS:

- a) **Schematic Park Designs Presentation** – Presentation by Charles Bruker and Joselyn Bates from PLACE and Miklos Valdez from Councilor Heesacker.

- i) **Aquatic Center**

- (1) After the needs assessment was completed two concept designs emerged. The main focus of either design should be on renovations of the indoor areas.
- (2) Cost Estimates for today's market:
 - (a) Design 1 – Pool \$2.7 million, Outside area \$1.3 million = \$4 million
 - (b) Design 2 – Pool \$3.2 million, Outside area \$3.1 million = \$6.3 million

- ii) **North Lincoln Park**

- (1) Focus for the design is on engagement and exploration.
- (2) Access from the East is a big point for many.
- (3) A circular design incorporating nature play with rejuvenation of the central part of the park.
- (4) The restroom would be replaced with a four unit prefab.
- (5) People would like to see a non-fee splash pad area added. The water would flow into the storm water basin.
- (6) Northwest corner would be a less formal picnic table area.
- (7) Lincoln is a large park with lots of land to touch.
- (8) Cost Estimate for today's market: \$6.8 million

- iii) **Stites Park**

- (1) This park is 12 ½ acres and we would be touching 7.9 acres.
- (2) A major expansion which differs from the Master Plan as it includes adding the Community Gardens to the East side of the property.
- (3) The West side would remain a natural area.
- (4) The design includes a circular path, benches, a shelter and nature play areas.
- (5) The Stites family who donated the property visited the site and viewed the plans. They felt it was a wonderful tribute to their donation and they liked the plans.
- (6) The bridge on the property was installed by the Army Corp of Engineers over a small stream and it will remain. The work was done ahead of time to save on costs.

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- (7) The area would be accessible for maintenance and law enforcement. The vegetation would be beautiful but not inviting to the homeless.
 - (8) Cost Estimate for today's market: \$4.1 million
 - iv) **A.T. Smith Park**
 - (1) This area would be an event destination park, that would include a stage, amphitheater, garden, play area and restroom/storage space.
 - (2) A parking lot would be added along with an access corridor to service the house, which would be wide enough for a fire truck.
 - (3) Cost Estimate for today's market: \$3.5 million
 - b) This final presentation was accepted by the Parks & Recreation Commission and will move to the City Council for approval. "Without the dream, we have no plans".
- 6) **COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**
- a) **Ralph:**
 - i) Paul was inducted into the Forest Grove High School Athletic Hall of Fame.
- 7) **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:**
- a) Malynda:
 - i) The Council vacancy was filled last Monday and the new councilor will be sworn in January 13 at 4:30 p.m. She was a professor at Pacific and now works with Adelante Mujeres.
 - ii) The City employee buffet took place and the raffle prizes raised \$2500 to be donated to the Western Washington County Fire Department toy drive in Tom Johnston's name.
 - iii) The annual Town Hall meeting will be January 25 at 9:00 a.m. and focus on the Police Station needs.
 - iv) The Council retreat will take place in February.
 - v) The Boards and Commissions recognition dinner will be February 13 at 5:30 p.m. This year there will be no commission reports. The annual reports will be made at separate City Council meetings.
- 8) **STAFF REPORTS:**
- a) **Matt:**
 - i) The crew is busy with tree trimming and Gert is working with Public Works.
 - ii) The staff is getting certified in irrigation. This way we can come up with our own plans and save costs.
 - b) **Tom:**
 - i) At the February 10 City Council meeting PLACE will give a ½ hour presentation on the final designs.
 - ii) We will be receiving the complete bid package for Rogers Park and the project will go out to bid on January 6.
- 9) **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.
- 10) **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.